

ASSAILANT OF PECOS  
GIRL SHOT IN JAIL; BRO-  
THER HELD AS SLAYERAlleged Rape Fiend Gets  
What Pecos People Think  
Belonged to Him.

Pecos, Texas, Jan. 21. — F. M. Bratton, a prisoner in the county jail here, is dead with three bullet holes in his head, and Charles Colwell, son of C. C. Colwell, of this place, is in the county jail, following a shooting affray which occurred in the jail at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Bratton was arrested last Friday on a statutory charge, the alleged victim being the 13-year-old daughter of C. C. Colwell. This afternoon the girl's brother, Charles Colwell, and an uncle, Bud Turner, appeared at the sheriff's office and asked permission to talk with Bratton, who, since his arrest, had been a prisoner.

Five minutes later, according to the statement of Deputy Middleton, three shots were heard. The deputy ran into the corridor and took from Colwell a small .26 calibre automatic pistol.

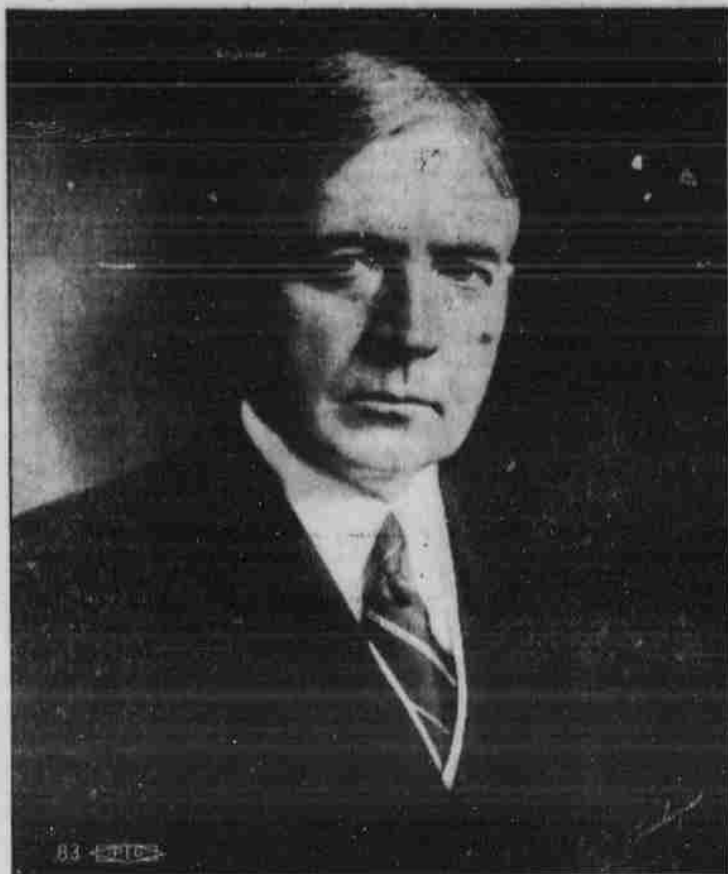
An effort is being made to have the examining trial of Colwell fixed for tonight and several people have already indicated their readiness to sign his bond for any amount.

## Occidental Inter-State

## Leasing Company

A number of prominent railroad men of Carrizozo and El Paso are organizing a company to be known as the (O. I. L. Co.) Occidental Inter-state Leasing Company. They now hold land in New Mexico and have several leases in Louisiana close to production, offered them. The men in this company are all well known in Carrizozo and are level-headed conscientious business men who are of the kind of material that when they put their hands to the plow handles, never turn back. Remarkable to begin with is the fact that although young as the organization is, they have many valuable holdings in the state and have more valuable options in Louisiana land in close neighborhood to where oil is being found in paying quantities. Here is a good chance for wide-awake men to take a chance in a game with men of good report in a commendable undertaking, but those who so desire should get busy, as only a certain number will be allowed stock for the reason that it is the purpose of the company to prevent big holders from taking the "lion's share" to the discomfort of smaller holders, as has been practiced by some in the past. The Outlook welcomes the new company knowing as it does, each individual connected with it and at the same knows the straight forward intentions of these gentlemen. The public will be kept in touch with the future movements of the O. I. L. company. (Don't overlook the abbreviations) for O. I. L. means everything in connection with development.

## "MAN OF DESTINY"



Gov. Frank O. Lowden of Illinois

The above cut is taken from a lifelike portrait of Governor Frank O. Lowden of the state of Illinois in whose behalf leading public men of his state are booming his candidacy for the nomination on the National Republican ticket for President of the United States. The Governor is interested in the stock business and an untiring champion of our industries in general. His past record is an asset to his future endeavors; his home life one of the most model. His political ambitions extend only so far as he may be able to serve the people as a whole. The interests of private corporations and self-gratification are lost sight of in his desire to be a man for the people of a great nation.

Texas Rangers Will  
Prevent Border Oil War

Austin, Tex., Jan. 20. — Rangers were sent into the oil territory in dispute between Texas and Oklahoma today as a police measure and to preserve law and order, Gov. W. P. Hobby of Texas said tonight.

Ordering of rangers into the disputed district, which is located in the Red river valley, followed reports today Texas and Oklahoma claimants to the land had threatened "to shoot those who interfered with their occupation of the property."

Ownership of the oil lands is claimed by both sides and litigation to determine the claims is pending in the courts.

## American Legion

The Executive Committee of the American Legion met Jan. 12 at which time the following applications for membership in the Benjamin I. Berry Post of the American Legion were received and acted upon favorably: Clare H. Bradley, Jicarilla; Olden I. Norton, White Mountain; Gordon M. Wells, White Oaks; Gussie R. Reichelt, Carrizozo; and Edwin S. Marcum, Fort Stanton.

National dues by the action of the convention at St. Paul, Minn. have been raised to \$1.00 which will include subscription to the Weekly. All members who have not paid their national dues should remit \$1.00 to headquarters, Carrizozo, N. M.

Huge Profits Taken  
By Retail Merchant

Helena, Mont., Jan. 21. — Margins of profits ranging from 34 per cent on groceries to 75 per cent on table linen are known by retail merchants of Montana, it is declared in the annual report of the state railroad commission, as an "ex-officio trade commission," submitted to Governor Stewart today.

Percentages of gross profit, the report states, include 52 per cent on women's gloves, 61 per cent on women's hose, 69 per cent on woolen dress goods, 73 per cent on cotton blankets, 64 per cent on mattresses and 58 per cent on rugs. Men's high grade shoes which cost the retailer \$6.50 to \$8.35, it is declared, retail for \$12 to \$16, and women's high grade shoes which cost \$7.10 to \$10.65 retail for \$12 to \$20.

The act creating a separate state trade commission recently was held unconstitutional by the state supreme court.

Capitan Holds Banner  
Who's Next

The Lincoln County "Attendance Banner" for the month of December was awarded to Miss Ellen Smith's room at the Capitan school. The percentage of attendance being 94. The next highest per cent was 90. The banner is awarded to the school room having the largest percentage of attendance for the calendar month. Make an effort to secure the banner for your school the coming month.

## Now For The Finish

The work of the New State Oil & Gas Company is now so well known that it is of little use to say more to the thinking public; in review, however, we wish to state again, briefly, the main purpose of the company is general development in our section of Lincoln county, and to begin this development by securing a test well for oil gas, and artesian water, and while promoting the work to protect the people and acreage of this community against the ruinous operations of the speculator. Under the plan no money is called for from the people. The company offers to secure a drilling contract that will insure a thorough test well within one year from date of lease or return the lease to the owner of the land, and such an offer cannot be made by any other than a conscientious company. The plan of the company from the start has been only to point out to the people the advantages to be gained by the successful completion of the understanding and to represent the people rather than to barter with them for their leases. As the proposition is too large for any small company to undertake, under our prevailing conditions, no business man, banker, merchant, shopman, or agent should rest till he has thoroughly acquainted himself with the proposition, then he is not entitled to the benefits of development except in proportion to the aid he renders in securing such development.

We have but few knockers to contend with and knocking is a disease with them not unlike that of the leper and like the leper they should be placed on an island to themselves where they cannot affect society. They neither seek knowledge in meritorious undertakings nor do they permit it to be given them. They are always the least informed.

Another class of people in every community, little more desirable than the knocker is that of property owners who will do nothing toward developing the community. Those in this class always wait for their neighbor to develop their vicinity that they may profit without effort. Of these there are comparatively few in our section of the country, yet but can greatly retard any movement for development. He is in a sense a knocker and like the knocker should be carefully registered and figuratively speaking, be ostracized.

The New State Oil & Gas company expect, with the assistance of the people who are looking, watching and waiting for oil development soon to be able to bring the work to an end and have a good drilling company with plenty of money behind it to push the project. Now for the finish—One big pull with a combined effort will do the work. Are you ready? If so, let's go.

## Expression of Thanks

The Apron and Candy sale conducted by the ladies of the Episcopal Church Guild last Friday afternoon was successful from a financial standpoint to an extent of \$27.01 above the figures published in our last issue. The sale on the whole netted the handsome sum of \$87.01. The ladies of the church wish to thank the public for the manner in which they patronized the sale and contributed to its success.

SOVIET RUSSIA IS DE-  
FENDED ON FLOOR OF  
NEW YORK ASSEMBLY

Attorney for Ousted Socialists Asserts to Believe in Bolsheviki System Is Not a Crime in England, Germany or Italy.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 21. — A defense of soviet Russia was made today on the floor of the New York assembly chamber by Seymour Stedman, of Chicago, an attorney for the defense in the trial of the five suspended socialist assemblymen before the assembly judiciary committee on charge of disloyalty.

Asserting in connection with the charge that the socialist party at its convention in Chicago last summer had expressed solidarity with soviet Russia and that the assembly had condemned the suspended members of a party which expressed such approval.

## Shareholders' Meeting

At a meeting of shareholders of the First National Bank of Carrizozo January 20, 1920, the following directors were chosen to succeed themselves: H. B. Jones, David T. Beale, Jr., Paul Mayer, O. Z. Finley; Officers: H. B. Jones, President; Paul Mayer, Vice President; E. M. Brickley, Cashier; Miss Ula Edmiston, Assistant Cashier.

The directors are elected by the shareholders, the officers by the board of directors. Two meetings were held; first the shareholders, followed by the directors' meeting. Messrs. E. M. Brickley, H. B. Jones and David Beale attended the shareholders' meeting at Willard, January 17; at Corona, January 19. Mr. Beale is assistant cashier of the Inter-State National Bank, Kansas City, Mo. and has large holdings in banks of the middle and southwest.

## Special Course

Miss Carmen Aguinaldo, daughter of General Emilio Aguinaldo, leader of the Filipino revolt against Spain and the insurrection against the United States, was the guest recently of the resident Philippine Commission and Mrs. James C. de Veyra. Miss Aguinaldo, who is nineteen years old, received a normal school education in Manila and has come to take a special course at the University of Illinois. Her father is now a prosperous planter and vegetable oil manufacturer.

## The Pine Family Depart

Dr. H. E. Pine and family left last week for Aztec, N. M., where the doctor will follow up his work in the live stock business as an inspector and veterinarian in which he has given so much of a measure of satisfaction here. The family was well known and much loved by all who knew them throughout Lincoln county, hence the public expression of regret manifested by all at their departure. The Pines will be missed here, but we congratulate the Aztec people on the fact that in adding the doctor and his family to their population, they are installing goods of the best quality.